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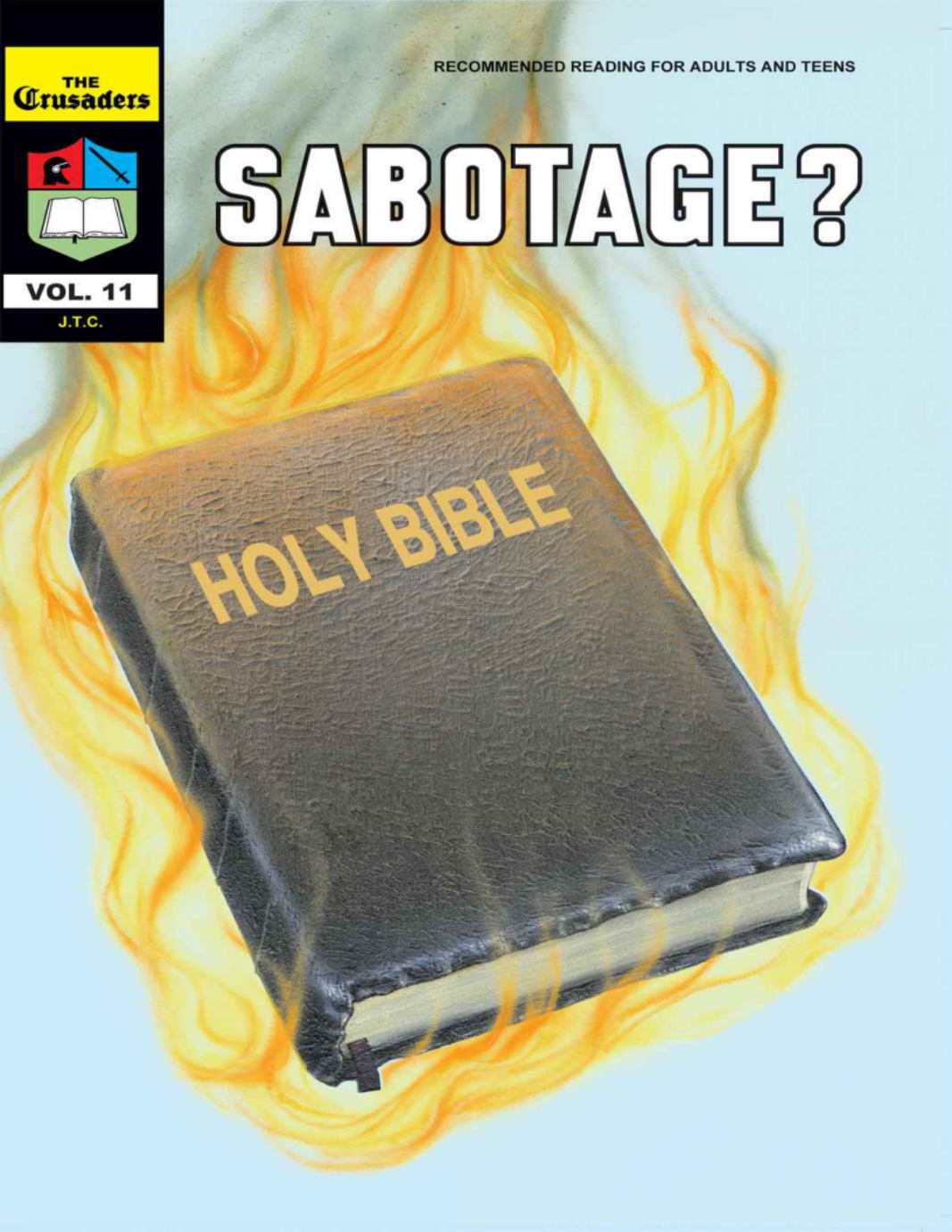

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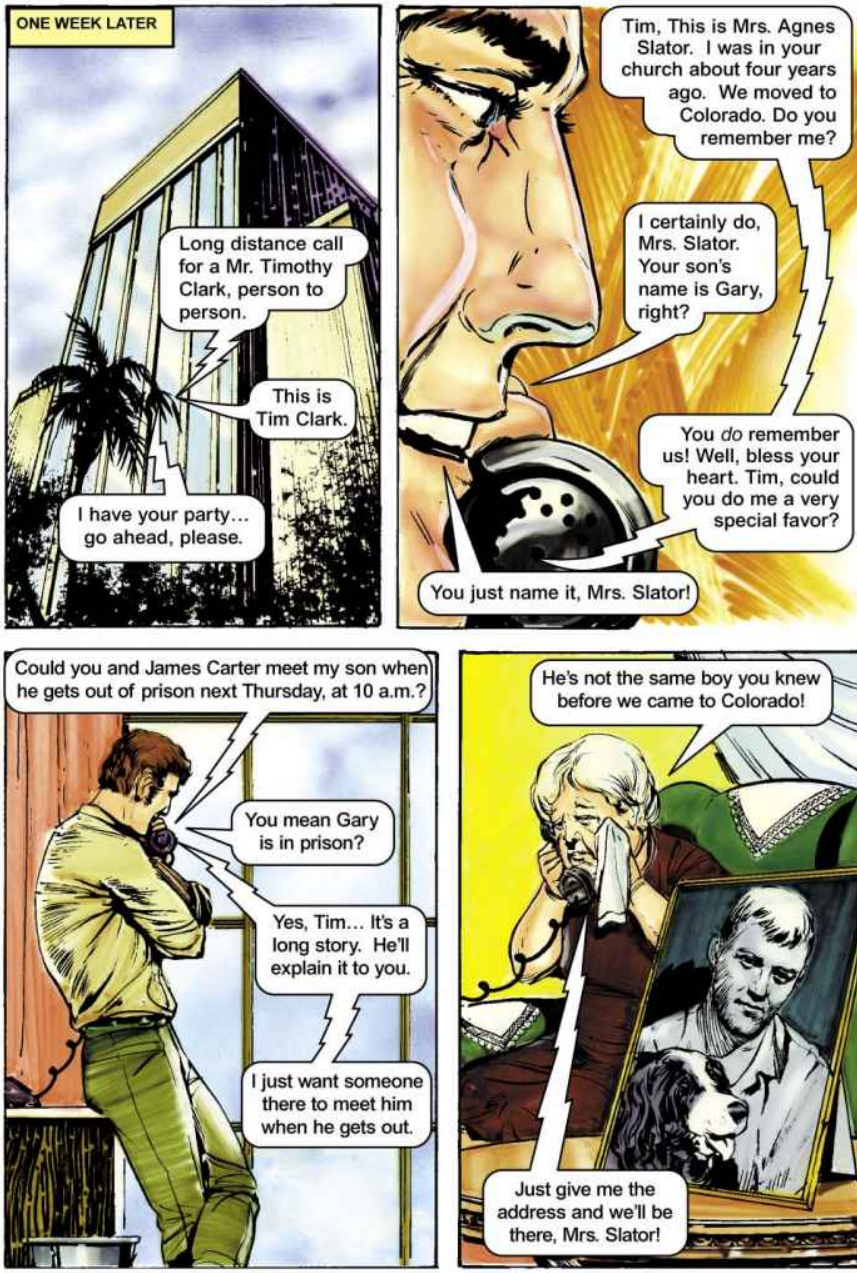
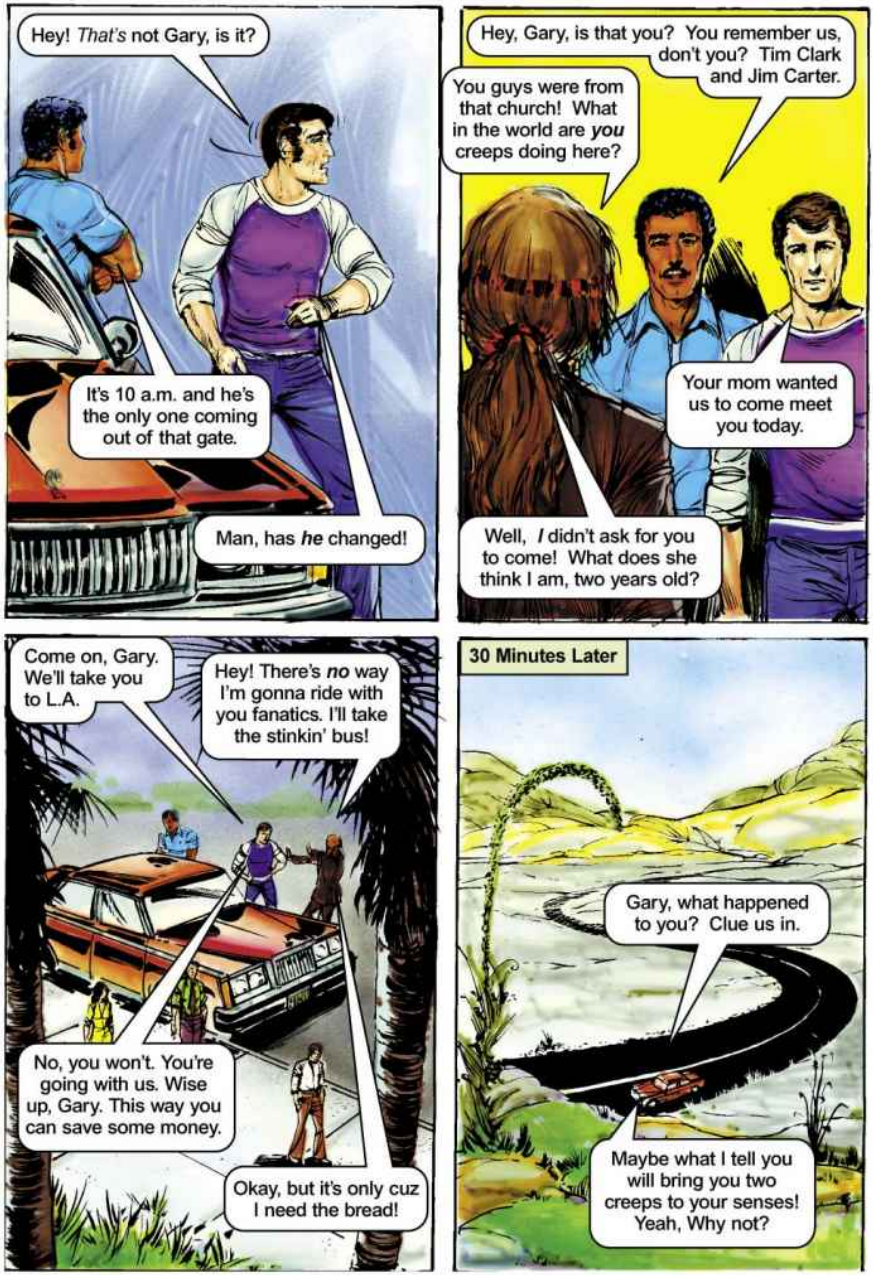
SABOTAGE?

(It means to wreck or destroy)

SOLEDAD STATE PRISON
It's time to take Slator out of the hole and put him back in his cell!
It's too bad they don't let him *rot* in there!
You've put more time in the hole than any prisoner we've ever had, Slator!
What makes scum like you so rotten?
HATE!
I'm glad you're back in your cell, Slator.
I'm the new *Chaplain. Your mother sent you this lovely Bible, here!
Watch out for him, Chaplain! He's dangerous!
*A prison pastor.
Thank you, Chaplain. It's *just* what I need to comfort me. It's simply beautiful. I'll take *good* care of it.
RIP
Gasp
RIP
Idiot!


ONE WEEK LATER
Long distance call for a Mr. Timothy Clark, person to person.
This is Tim Clark.
I have your party... go ahead, please.
Tim, This is Mrs. Agnes Slator. I was in your church about four years ago. We moved to Colorado. Do you remember me?
I certainly do, Mrs. Slator. Your son's name is Gary, right?
You *do* remember us! Well, bless your heart. Tim, could you do me a very special favor?
You just name it, Mrs. Slator!
Could you and James Carter meet my son when he gets out of prison next Thursday, at 10 a.m.?
You mean Gary is in prison?
Yes, Tim... It's a long story. He'll explain it to you.
I just want someone there to meet him when he gets out.
He's not the same boy you knew before we came to Colorado!
Just give me the address and we'll be there, Mrs. Slator!

THURSDAY MORNING, 8 A.M.
Come on, Slator. The warden wants to talk to you. *Let's go!*
You tell that fat-head, if he wants to talk to me…
He can come down here!
Get out of that bunk or I'll…
Take your slimy hands off me or I'll knock your teeth down your mangy throat!
Okay, *Okay*, Slator, I won't touch you!
You're getting out today. He wants to make his good-bye speech.
In here, Slator.
Well, open the door for me, *Stupid!*
WAR
Slimeball!
Slator, you've been the biggest trouble-maker we've had in a *long* time. Everyone in here, from guards to prisoners, hates you! We'll ***all*** be glad to see the last of you!
Today you're going to be released, and *God help those people you meet on the outside!*
I suppose you're going to try and burn down another Bible College, right?
Right!
Guard, get this crud out of my office.


Hey! That's not Gary, is it?
It's 10 a.m. and he's the only one coming out of that gate.
Man, has he changed!
Hey, Gary, is that you? You remember us, don't you? Tim Clark and Jim Carter.
You guys were from that church! What in the world are you creeps doing here?
Your mom wanted us to come meet you today.
Well, I didn't ask for you to come! What does she think I am, two years old?
Come on, Gary. We'll take you to L.A.
Hey! There's no way I'm gonna ride with you fanatics. I'll take the stinkin' bus!
No, you won't. You're going with us. Wise up, Gary. This way you can save some money.
Okay, but it's only cuz I need the bread!
30 Minutes Later
Gary, what happened to you? Clue us in.
Maybe what I tell you will bring you two creeps to your senses! Yeah, Why not?

Back when I "saw de light," I was really turned on! Man, my sparkler was lit! I believed the Bible with all my heart.
Everything was beautiful. My sins were gone. I wanted to be the best preacher in the whole world.
Jesus Christ was the Lord of my life! I wanted to share His love to a dying world.
I got called to preach!
So I went to Bible College. One of the great fortresses of faith, run by men I could trust and believe in to build up *my* faith.
I worked my tail off. I pulled straight A's. I preached on street corners, I burned the midnight oil for Christ, and I was winning souls for him…
Until one dark morning when everything blew up!
What happened?
It happened in the class room. My Greek professor was laying it on us. I *couldn't* believe my ears.
This man I looked up to and had on a pedestal said something that made me want to *kill* him!

Here's how it happened
When you graduate, of course, you will preach from the King James version of the Bible because so many of the laymen* believe it's the Word of God…heh…heh…
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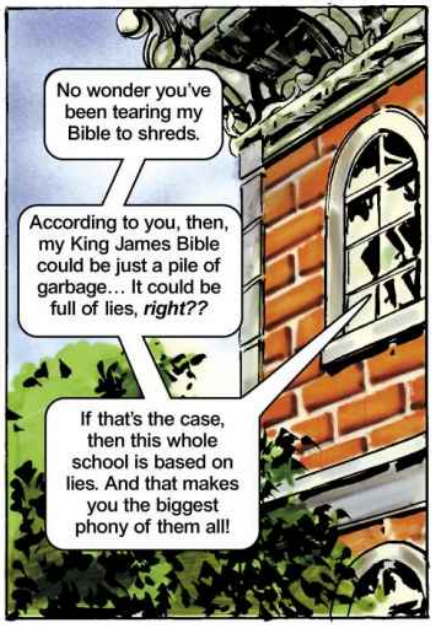
Yes, agree with them! Tell them it is the Word of God. But we know better, only the original manuscripts** are the Word of God, and alas, they are long since gone.
You see, the lay people wouldn't understand!
*The man on the street
**Writings
Sir, I have a question.
What is it, Slator?
Maybe I misunderstood you, Sir, but I was told my King James Bible was the Word of God.
That's why I became a Christian.
I notice you keep changing this Bible and saying the original Greek meant something else.
Sir, we've got Bible versions coming out our ears. Tell me, which Bible is the Word of God?

Actually, none of them, Slator!
As I said before, the Word of God is found only in the *original* manuscripts.
And they've been lost, you see.

WOW! Hold it, professor. You just blew my mind! I can't believe what I'm hearing.
Now, I know you don't believe in this book.
But, what about the dean* of men? Does he believe my Bible is the Word of God?
No, not really.

*Like a vice-principal


No wonder you've been tearing my Bible to shreds.
According to you, then, my King James Bible could be just a pile of garbage… It could be full of lies, ***right??***
If that's the case, then this whole school is based on lies. And that makes you the biggest phony of them all!

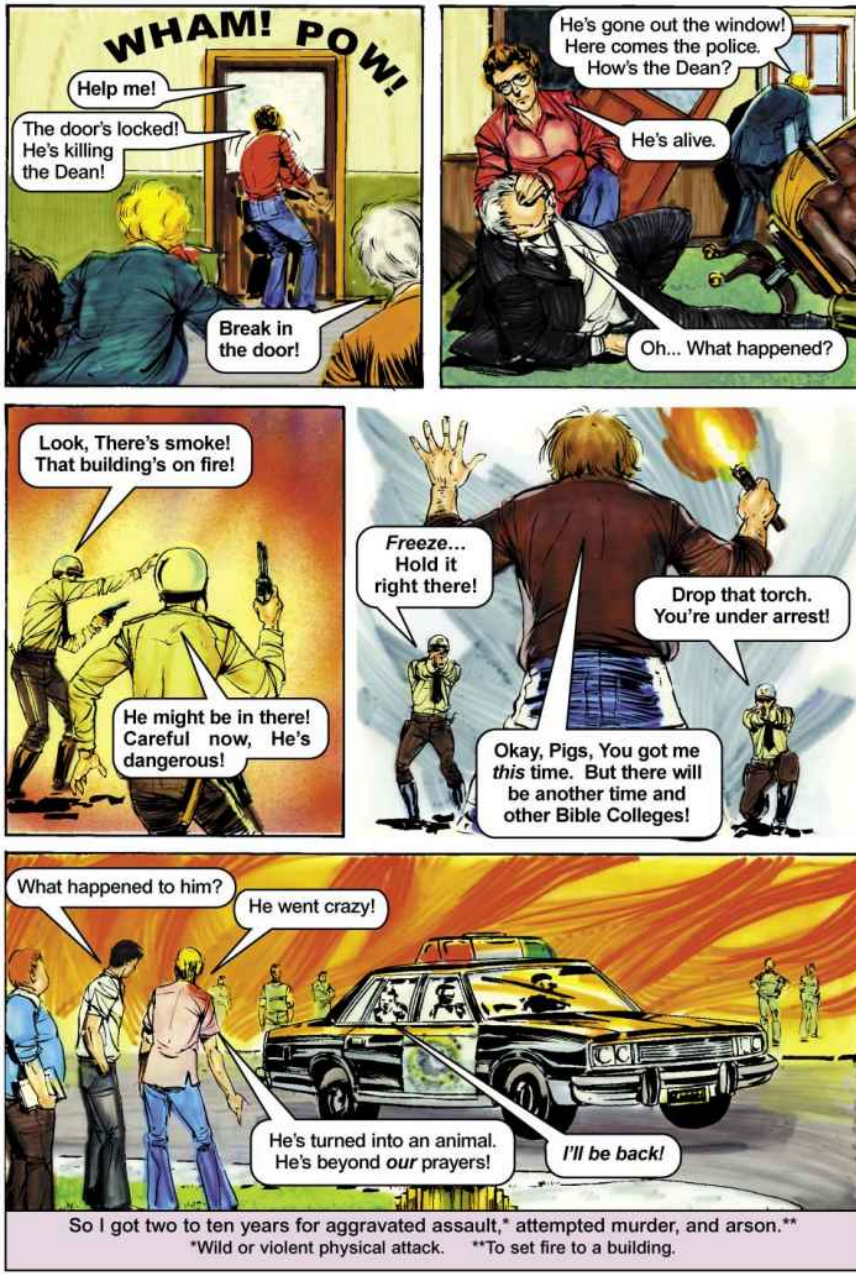
You're nothing but a lousy two-faced *hypocrite!**
I won't tolerate that kind of language in my class!
If you say another word, I'll have you expelled.
Stay away from me, Slator!

*Phony

Do you realize what you've done to me today, professor? You've destroyed my faith in this book. Are *you happy about this?*
I'm sick in my gut, and I'm mad enough to kill!
I've got nothing left to hang on to! You've *shattered* my foundation!*
How can I believe *anything* now? God, Christ, the Bible. You've turned them all into lies.
You moron! This Bible is no good to *me* anymore, so you might as well *eat it!*

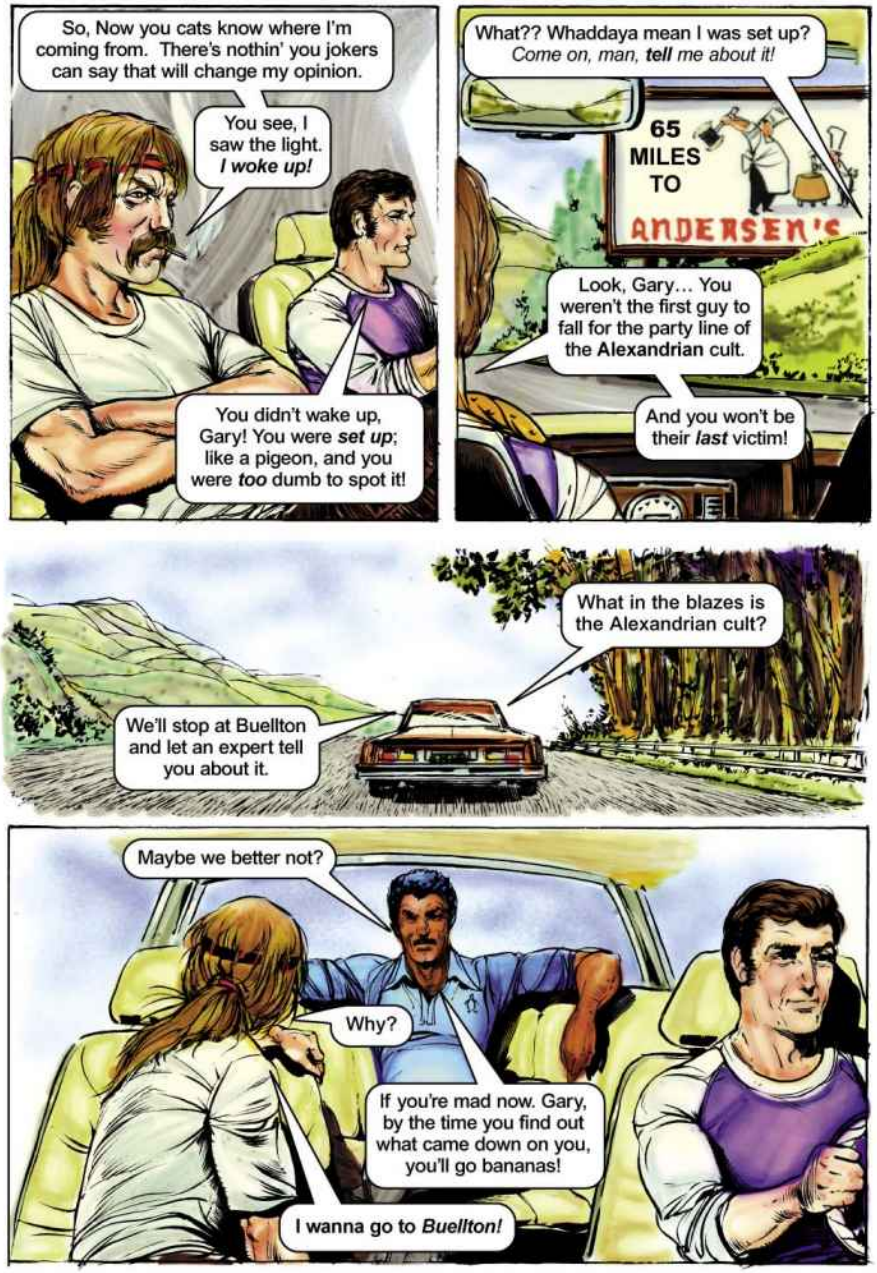
*"If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" Psalm 11:3

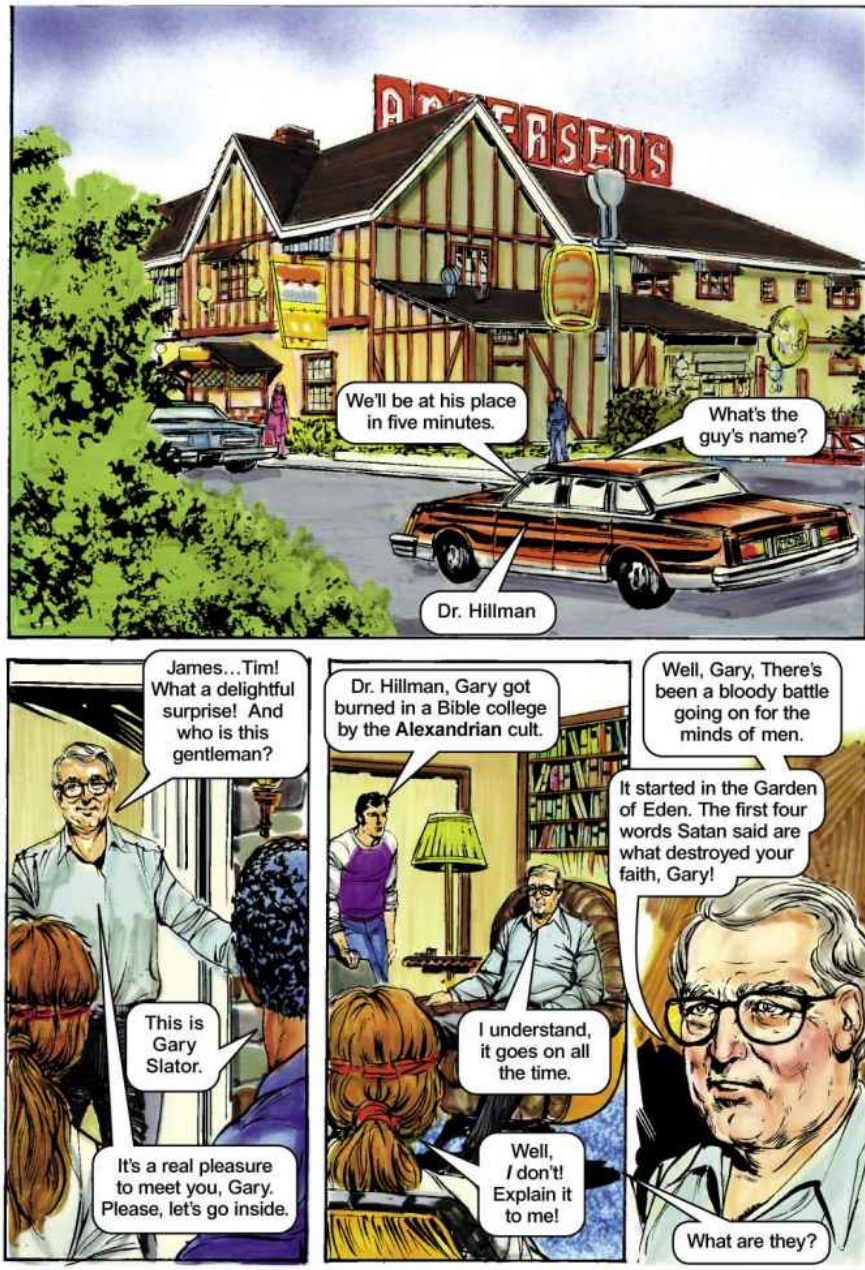
WHACK!
HERE!
Gasp!
Call the police! He's gone crazy!
Oh, my poor mouth!
My teeth. (Gulp, cough) Ohhh, nooo, I just swallowed some! Gasp!
Where's he going?
Towards the Dean of Men, Sir.
Stop that maniac!


WHAM!
POW!
Help me!
The door's locked! He's killing the Dean!
Break in the door!
He's gone out the window! Here comes the police. How's the Dean?
He's alive.
Oh... What happened?
Look, There's smoke! That building's on fire!
He might be in there! Careful now, He's dangerous!
Freeze... Hold it right there!
Drop that torch. You're under arrest!
Okay, Pigs, You got me this time. But there will be another time and other Bible Colleges!
What happened to him?
He went crazy!
He's turned into an animal. He's beyond our prayers!
I'll be back!

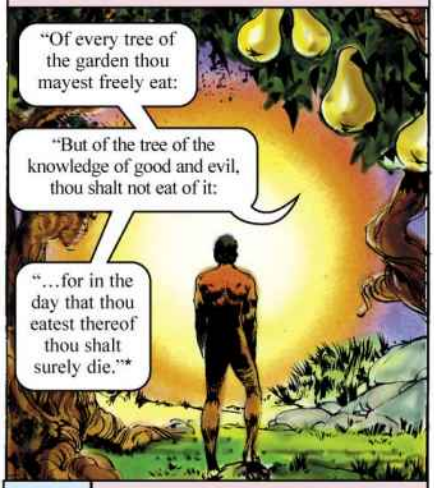
So I got two to ten years for aggravated assault,* attempted murder, and arson.**

*Wild or violent physical attack. **To set fire to a building.


So, Now you cats know where I'm coming from. There's nothin' you jokers can say that will change my opinion.
You see, I saw the light. *I woke up!*
You didn't wake up, Gary! You were ***set up***; like a pigeon, and you were ***too*** dumb to spot it!
What?? Whaddaya mean I was set up? *Come on, man,* ***tell*** *me about it!*
65 MILES TO ANDERSEN'S
Look, Gary... You weren't the first guy to fall for the party line of the **Alexandrian** cult.
And you won't be their ***last*** victim!
What in the blazes is the Alexandrian cult?
We'll stop at Buellton and let an expert tell you about it.
Maybe we better not?
Why?
If you're mad now. Gary, by the time you find out what came down on you, you'll go bananas!
I wanna go to *Buellton!*


We'll be at his place in five minutes.
What's the guy's name?
Dr. Hillman
James…Tim! What a delightful surprise! And who is this gentleman?
This is Gary Slator.
It's a real pleasure to meet you, Gary. Please, let's go inside.
Dr. Hillman, Gary got burned in a Bible college by the **Alexandrian** cult.
I understand, it goes on all the time.
Well, I don't! Explain it to me!
Well, Gary, There's been a bloody battle going on for the minds of men.
It started in the Garden of Eden. The first four words Satan said are what destroyed your faith, Gary!
What are they?

Remember back in the Garden of Eden, God gave a command by saying:


"Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:
"But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it:
"…for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."*

*Genesis 2:16-17

Now watch how Satan cast doubt on God's word.

In Chapter 3 of Genesis, while tempting Eve, Satan says:

Those four words pushed Eve into disobeying God's command. And mankind has been paying for it ever since with sickness, wars, pain, disease and death.

Satan has been using those same four words to destroy faith in the Word of God throughout history.

*Genesis 3:1

When the Lord Jesus was on the earth, he said to his followers:

God promised us that we would have His words, even today, and He doesn't lie to us.

Hey, wait! You mean to tell me that we've *got* the true word of God with us today?
That's right, Gary! And Satan hates it!
It's the *one* Bible he hasn't been able to get his slimy hands on and mess up like he did the other versions.

The words of the Bible did *not* begin in the minds of the apostles.* Every word of the original manuscripts came from God through men.**

* 1 Corinthians 2:9-13 ** 2 Peter 1:21

There was no way God would allow these priceless words to be lost.

Even while the apostle Paul was writing, men were at work trying to corrupt (mess up) God's word. (See 2 Corinthians 2:17)

Most of the apostles had been put to death. The only one left was John, and he had been placed in exile on the island of Patmos. While he was there he was showing the believers which manuscripts were of God.*

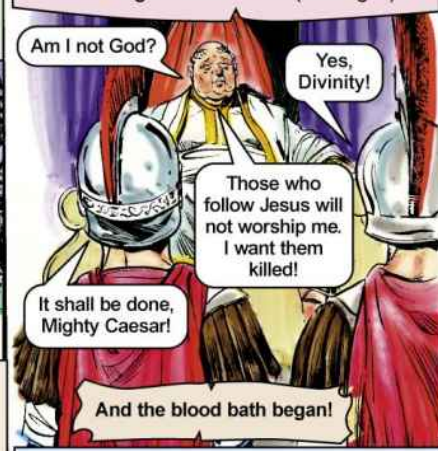
John knew that after he died, Satan would move to destroy the scriptures.

**"Which Bible?" by David Otis Fuller (Institute for Biblical Textual Studies, 1970), pp. 190-191

The true manuscripts were now safely in the hands of true followers of Christ. As time passed, they made exact copies with fear and trembling knowing full well what God promised* to do to those who changed the scriptures.

*"…If any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." Revelation 22:19

Mighty Rome ruled the world. Their religion* was a form of Baal worship that had come from Babylon and Egypt. Nero thought he was divine (Like a god).


Am I not God?
Yes, Divinity!
Those who follow Jesus will not worship me. I want them killed!
It shall be done, Mighty Caesar!
And the blood bath began!

*See *Babylon Religion* by David Daniels and *The Two Babylons* by Hislop. Available from Chick Publications.

The Lord Jesus had given this warning to his disciples, knowing full well the suffering, reproach (disgrace) and humiliation his followers would face in the centuries to follow... "Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, **(TO BE TORTURED)** and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake." **Matthew 24:9**

If the Gospel of Christ should triumph, the pagan* temples and altars of Rome would disappear.

These Christians must be blamed for everything! Earthquakes, Famine**, or Disease. We ***must*** turn everyone against them!

We will pay great sums of money to anyone who will tell us where these traitors are, this thing ***must*** be stopped!

*Worshippers of false Gods.
**No food

This is your last chance to give up Jesus or burn to death!

We thank God we have the honor to suffer and die for our Savior!

We will ***never*** deny Jesus!

Then ***die***, you fools!

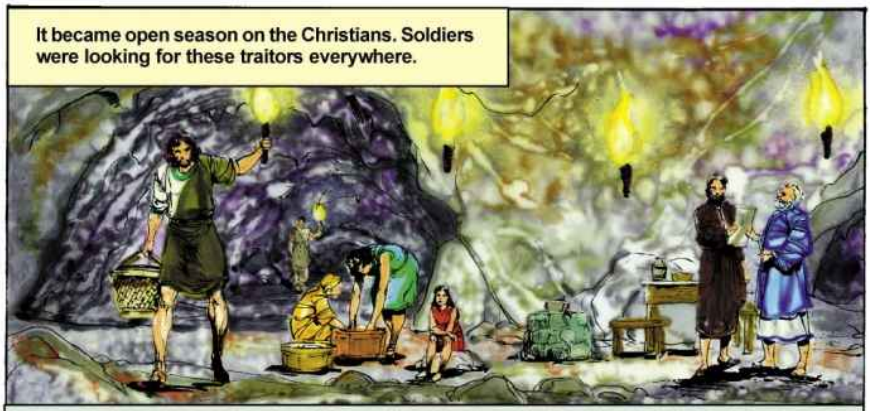
They were thrown to wild animals; They were crucified. Others, covered by skins of wild animals, were pushed into the arena to be torn by dogs.

Are we going to see Christians eaten by lions today, Mother?

Oh, yes, my love. This should be exciting. We wouldn't miss ***this*** for the world!

This was the highlight of entertainment for the public. Big crowds came to watch the Christians being put to death. Their dying groans and suffering were joyfully received with laughter and applause.

It became open season on the Christians. Soldiers were looking for these traitors everywhere.



Under the hills outside the city of Rome were dark tunnels in a network of secret passage ways that went on for miles. These gloomy caves became home for thousand of believers. Here they worshiped God and buried their dead. The area was known as the catacombs.

The suffering they endured brought Christians closer to one another and to their precious Lord.

They had guts. The bloodier the *persecution, the bolder the Christians became. The love of Christ kept spreading. It meant more to them than their own lives.

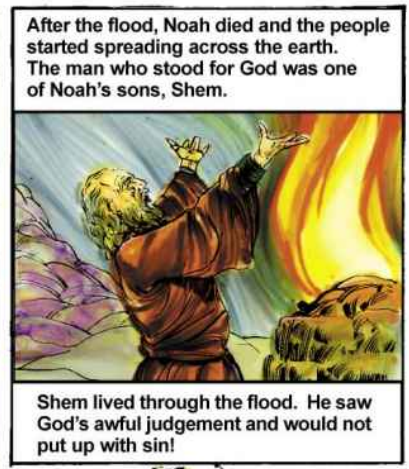
As thousands were put in prison and killed, it seemed others sprang up to take their places. Instead of wiping out Christianity, persecution made it grow!
At last Satan hit on a way to stop the spread of Christianity and bring it to a grinding halt.
It worked like a charm, and is still working today.
Listen to them sing! I want what they've got!
Me, too... I want something worth dying for!

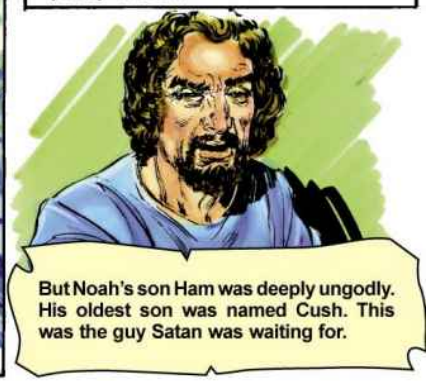
*To hassle or make them miserable or afraid for their lives.

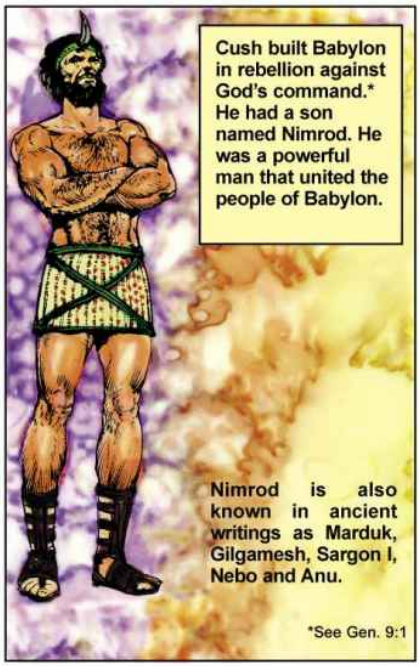
How did Satan pull it off, Dr. Hillman?
First of all, he stopped the persecution. This took place in 313 A.D.

Then he almost completely destroyed the message that Christ gave us by mixing it with *his* own religion.
I don't understand.
He did it with Baal worship, Gary. Let me start from the beginning.

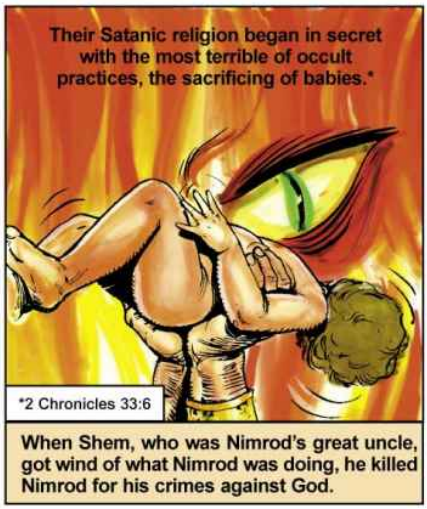
In the Bible, In Genesis, Chapters 6 through 9 we saw where God destroyed the earth with a great flood because the people had become so rotten. God found only one man he could trust. His name was Noah.
So God had Noah build an ark. When the flood hit, Noah, his wife, his 3 sons, Ham, Shem and Japheth and their wives, and the animals were safely inside. They were the only survivors.
See *The Ark* Crusaders Vol. 7

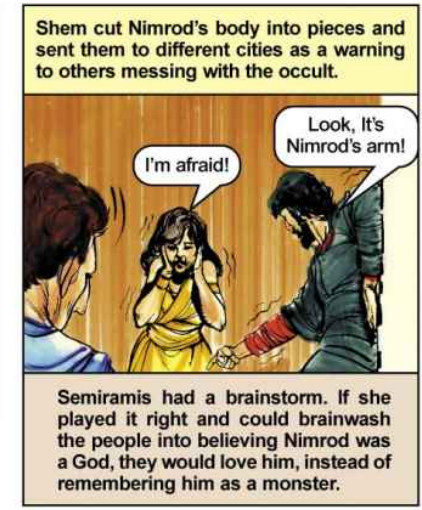

After the flood, Noah died and the people started spreading across the earth. The man who stood for God was one of Noah's sons, Shem.
Shem lived through the flood. He saw God's awful judgement and would not put up with sin!


But Noah's son Ham was deeply ungodly. His oldest son was named Cush. This was the guy Satan was waiting for.


Cush built Babylon in rebellion against God's command.* He had a son named Nimrod. He was a powerful man that united the people of Babylon.
Nimrod is also known in ancient writings as Marduk, Gilgamesh, Sargon I, Nebo and Anu.
*See Gen. 9:1

Nimrod married the most beautiful woman on earth. Her name was Semiramis. She became the Queen of Babylon.
She was as beautiful as she was evil. She became the model for goddess worship all over the world. She was also known as Inanna, Ishtar, Astarte and Ashtoreth.


Their Satanic religion began in secret with the most terrible of occult practices, the sacrificing of babies.*
*2 Chronicles 33:6
When Shem, who was Nimrod's great uncle, got wind of what Nimrod was doing, he killed Nimrod for his crimes against God.


Shem cut Nimrod's body into pieces and sent them to different cities as a warning to others messing with the occult.
I'm afraid!
Look, It's Nimrod's arm!
Semiramis had a brainstorm. If she played it right and could brainwash the people into believing Nimrod was a God, they would love him, instead of remembering him as a monster.

All of the above information is found in *The Two Babylons* by Alexander Hislop and *Babylon Religion* by David Daniels, available from Chick Publications.

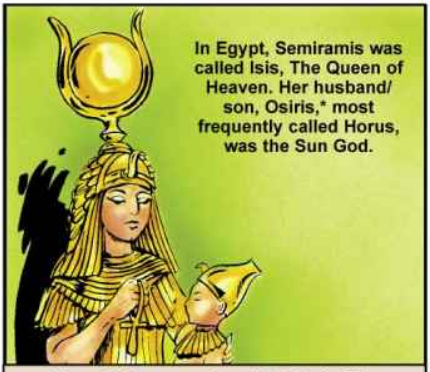
Semiramis was crafty. Satan worship went underground. But there was a price to pay for joining it. They had to tell her priests everything they ever did wrong. It was called the confessional.

After telling all… The people were scared to death that the priest might expose them. This way, Semiramis controlled them with an iron fist.

Semiramis had an illegitimate son named Tammuz. She conned the people into believing he was the reincarnation of her husband Nimrod. When he grew up she had him killed, then claimed he had become the sun god, "Baal."

They bought it! Then she was known as a goddess, "The Queen of Heaven." She won the hearts of the people.

Soon, statues appeared of Semiramis holding her husband/son, Tammuz… the sun god. She had pulled it off. Baal worship was off and running!
(See 1 Kings Chapter 18)



In Egypt, Semiramis was called Isis, The Queen of Heaven. Her husband/son, Osiris,* most frequently called Horus, was the Sun God.

The religion spread worldwide. In China she was called Shing Moo (Holy Mother of China). In ancient Phoenecia she was called Ashtoreth. She was known as Diana in Asia Minor.

*Bunsen's **Egypt**, printed in London 1848, vol. 1. Page 438.

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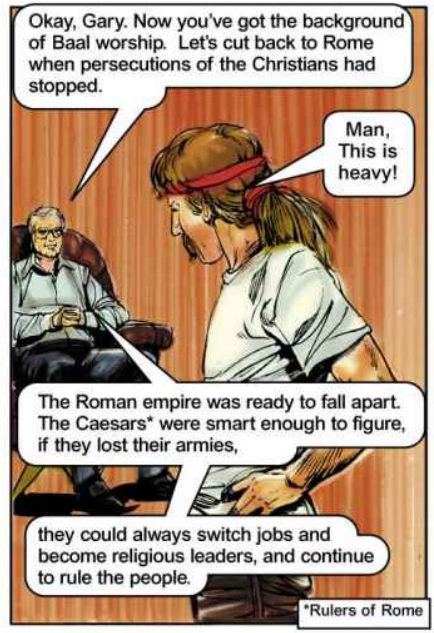

Okay, Gary. Now you've got the background of Baal worship. Let's cut back to Rome when persecutions of the Christians had stopped.
Man, This is heavy!
The Roman empire was ready to fall apart. The Caesars* were smart enough to figure, if they lost their armies,
they could always switch jobs and become religious leaders, and continue to rule the people.
*Rulers of Rome

Constantine was the son of a Roman emperor. After his father died, he felt he was the rightful heir to the throne. So he took his army and marched against Rome. Constantine was a smart politician.

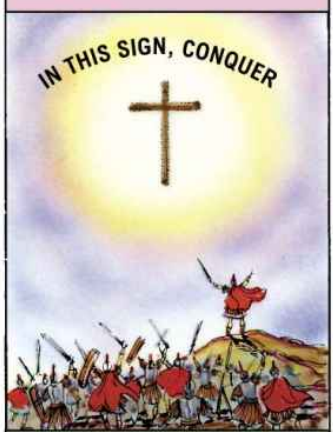
How could he gain support of both the Christians and the pagans (the worshippers of Baal)? Constantine* worshiped Sol (The Sun God) and he already had the backing of the pagans. Here's how he pulled it off.

*See *Babylon Religion*, pp. 157, 211-212.

At the stone milvian bridge at the Tiber River on October 28th, 312 A.D., his enemy, Maxentius, with his army stood between Constantine and the throne.

Constantine and his troops were vastly outnumbered, and then it happened (so says tradition)!

Tradition tells us Constantine and his troops saw this sign in the sky.



The sign of the cross! If the God of the Christians would help him win this important battle. Constantine would become a Christian.

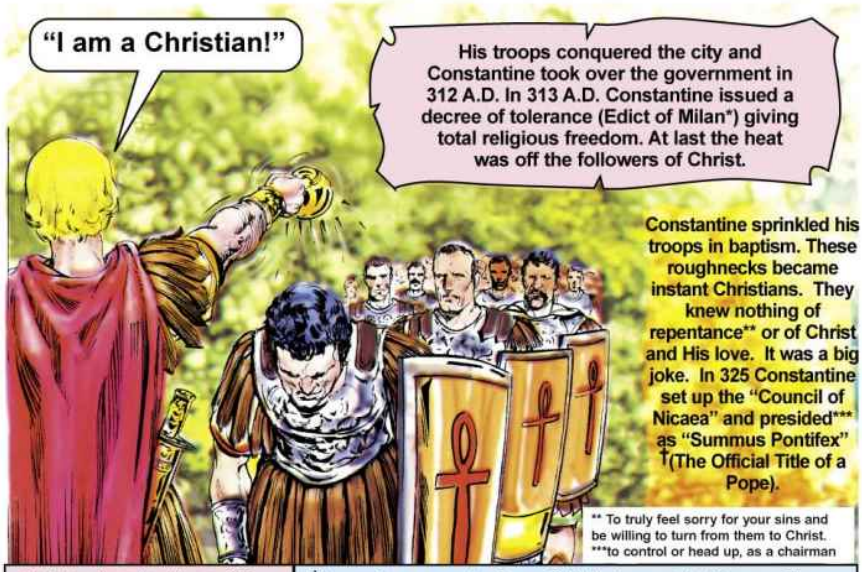
Constantine carefully described the cross and ordered it placed on the shields of his soldiers.*

Here's where it becomes weird. The cross Constantine described looks like *this*!

In Egypt that is the Ankh, a symbol for the Sun God. Do you smell a rat? I do...

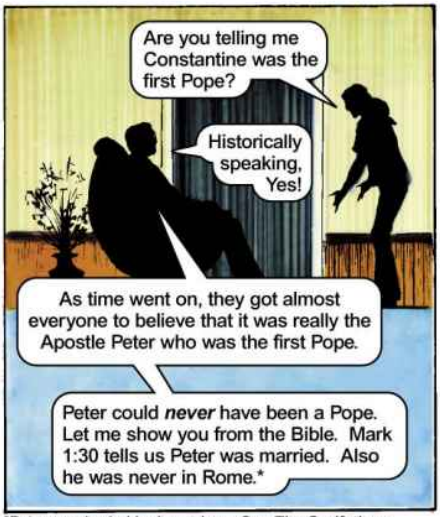
Constantine won the battle! He marched into Rome and shook the world by saying...

***Constantine** by Ramsey Mac Mullen, published by the Dial Press, Crosscurrents in World History Series, New York, 1969; page 72.

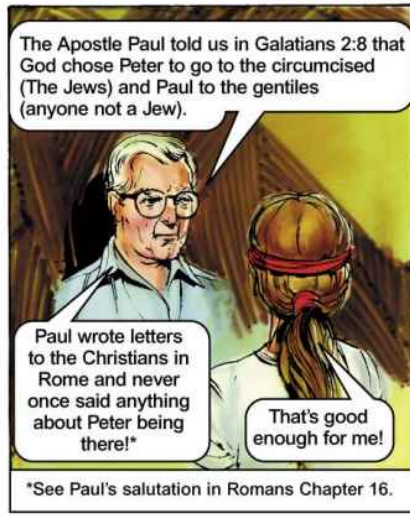

"I am a Christian!"
His troops conquered the city and Constantine took over the government in 312 A.D. In 313 A.D. Constantine issued a decree of tolerance (Edict of Milan*) giving total religious freedom. At last the heat was off the followers of Christ.
Constantine sprinkled his troops in baptism. These roughnecks became instant Christians. They knew nothing of repentance** or of Christ and His love. It was a big joke. In 325 Constantine set up the "Council of Nicaea" and presided*** as "Summus Pontifex" †(The Official Title of a Pope).
** To truly feel sorry for your sins and be willing to turn from them to Christ.
***to control or head up, as a chairman

Religious Encyclopedia, pg. 477, Schaff-herzog, published by Baker Book House 1967.

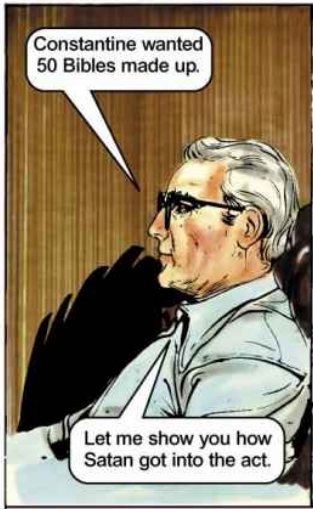
†On questions concerning Roman Catholic dogmas & doctrines, see *The Two Babylons* by Hislop and *50 Years in the 'Church' of Rome* by Chiniquy. Other resources are also available at www.chick.com.


Are you telling me Constantine was the first Pope?
Historically speaking, Yes!
As time went on, they got almost everyone to believe that it was really the Apostle Peter who was the first Pope.
Peter could *never* have been a Pope. Let me show you from the Bible. Mark 1:30 tells us Peter was married. Also he was never in Rome.*

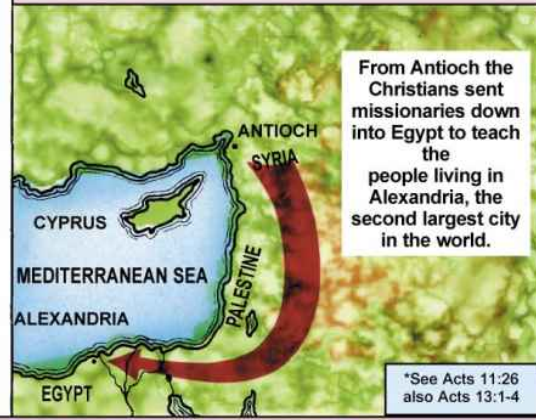
*Peter was buried in Jerusalem. See ***The Godfathers***, Page. 6, Chick Publications.


The Apostle Paul told us in Galatians 2:8 that God chose Peter to go to the circumcised (The Jews) and Paul to the gentiles (anyone not a Jew).
Paul wrote letters to the Christians in Rome and never once said anything about Peter being there!*
That's good enough for me!

*See Paul's salutation in Romans Chapter 16.



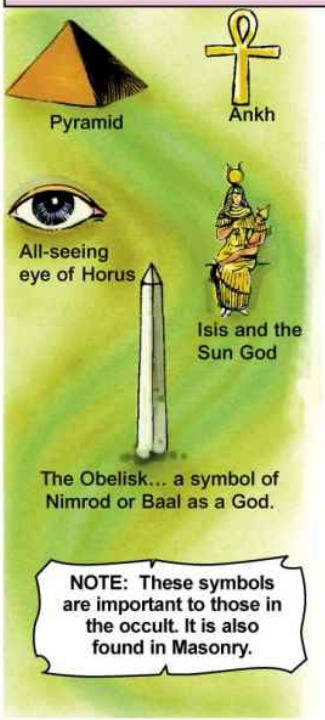
In the city of Antioch, in Syria, where they were first called Christians, the true believers were making exact copies of the original manuscripts.*



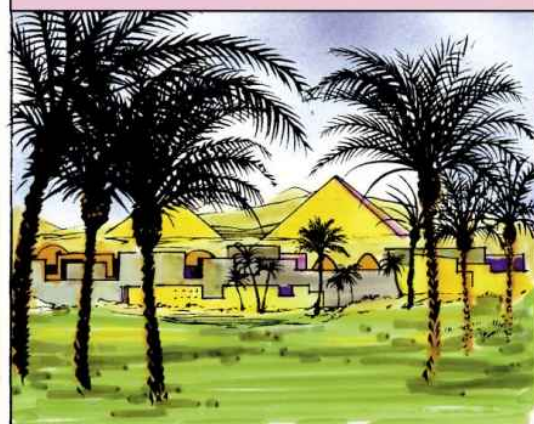
From Antioch the Christians sent missionaries down into Egypt to teach the people living in Alexandria, the second largest city in the world.

*See Acts 11:26 also Acts 13:1-4

The city of Alexandria was Satan's territory. Egypt,* the land of Isis (The Queen of Heaven) and Horus (The Sun God), at that time was the seat of Baal worship.



NOTE: These symbols are important to those in the occult. It is also found in Masonry.



Some of the world's greatest minds were living in Alexandria. These men were very proud of their great wisdom. They called themselves "*Gnostics.*"

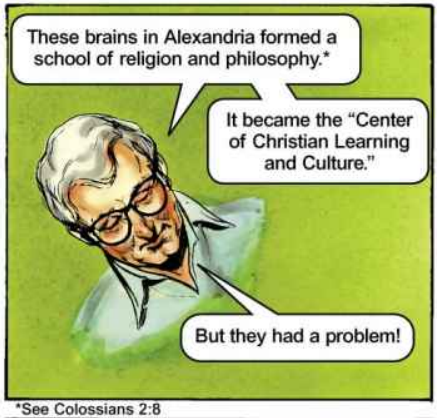
(Newman, Church History, Vol 1)

That means they were the only ones who had it upstairs. If you weren't in their club, you were out!

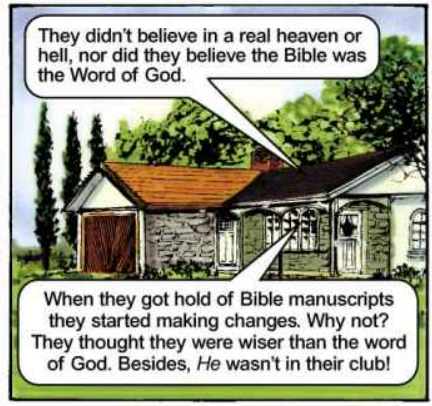
(See Colossians 2:8 and 1 Timothy 6:20)

As far as they were concerned, those soulwinning Christians up in Antioch were a bunch of nuts.

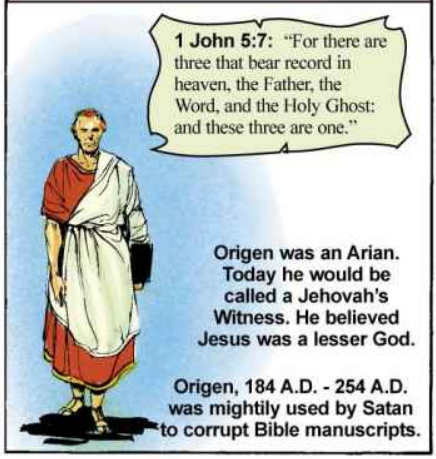
*Egypt is a type of the world in the Bible, God would not allow Israel (Exodus 15) or his son, Jesus (Matthew 2), to stay there.

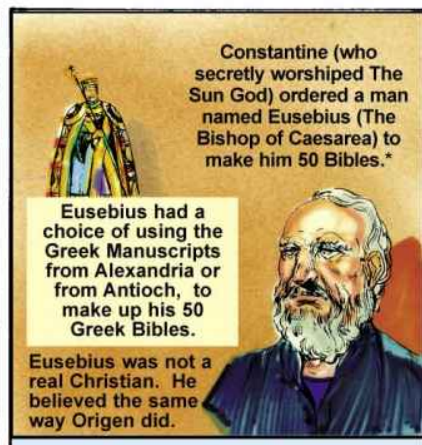

These brains in Alexandria formed a school of religion and philosophy.*
It became the "Center of Christian Learning and Culture."
But they had a problem!

*See Colossians 2:8


They didn't believe in a real heaven or hell, nor did they believe the Bible was the Word of God.
When they got hold of Bible manuscripts they started making changes. Why not? They thought they were wiser than the word of God. Besides, *He* wasn't in their club!

A great student, Origen, became head of this school. He messed up the scriptures. He didn't believe Jesus was God Almighty, so he and others chopped this verse out of scriptures:


1 John 5:7: "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one."
Origen was an Arian. Today he would be called a Jehovah's Witness. He believed Jesus was a lesser God.
Origen, 184 A.D. - 254 A.D. was mightily used by Satan to corrupt Bible manuscripts.


Constantine (who secretly worshiped The Sun God) ordered a man named Eusebius (The Bishop of Caesarea) to make him 50 Bibles.*
Eusebius had a choice of using the Greek Manuscripts from Alexandria or from Antioch, to make up his 50 Greek Bibles.
Eusebius was not a real Christian. He believed the same way Origen did.

There was no way he would touch those manuscripts from Antioch. So he used the corrupted manuscripts of Egypt to make his Bibles for the Roman Catholic Church.

**Constantine*, published by Ramsay Mac Mullen, Pg. 112.*

Anyone interested in seeing what was done to the manuscripts or for an in-depth study should read these books:

See *Answers to your Bible Version Questions* and *Did the Catholic Church Give Us The Bible*, by Daniels, *New Age Bible Versions* by Riplinger, and *Final Authority* by Grady. Also see *Manuscript Evidence* by Ruckman, available at Bible Baptist Bookstore, 1130 Jo Jo Rd, Pensacola FL 32514, (850) 477-8812, www.kjv1611.org.

The Roman Catholic Church slowly grew in power. Out of the 50 "Bibles" made up by Eusebius came the Latin Vulgate.

The Latin Vulgate Bible, written by Jerome, became the official Bible for the Roman Catholics. All others were outlawed.

Some of the true Christian believers (called Waldenses or Vaudois) had copies of the manuscripts from Antioch. They had to hide up in the Alps for protection.

Rome would not put up with competition, especially from those pipsqueaks up in the mountains, who had copies of the word of God. When they caught one of them, they burned him to death!

The early Christians of Rome who died in the arenas or lived underground in the catacombs would have been shocked to see what had become of Christianity.

Great changes were taking place. The pagans were allowed to bring their statues and idols of Semiramis (The Queen of Heaven) and Tammuz (Baal, The Sun God) into the church. The names were changed to the Virgin Mary, "Queen of Heaven" and little Jesus. Baal worship, started by Semiramis and Nimrod, had successfully moved into the Roman Catholic Institution.

Interesting Note: By 1950 the Roman Catholic Church had raised the Virgin Mary to a goddess with the power to be Co-Savior* and Co-Redeemer** with Christ ... exactly like Semiramis.***

*The dogma of the immaculate conception (says Mary was born without original sin) 1854.
**The dogma of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven (which means she never died) 1950.
***_The Two Babylons_ by Hislop, published by Chick Publications, chapter entitled "The Mother of the Child."

Note: The halo is symbolic of the sun.

Against Bible teaching, the Roman Catholic Institution says this about Mary's Sovereignty, †"Mary is Queen of Heaven and Earth. As the most perfect Queen conceivable, she must reign in full splendor. This she can do only because she is wholly in Heaven, body and soul."
The Bible forbids the worship of the Queen of Heaven, in the 7th and 44th chapters of Jeremiah.

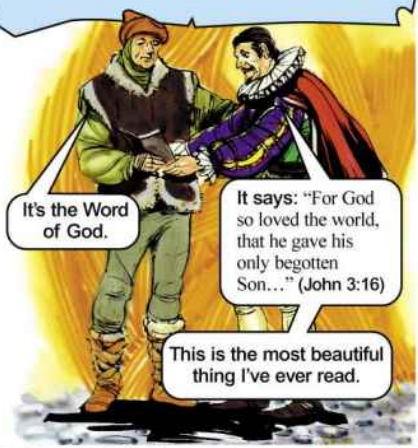
To learn more, see _Understanding Roman Catholicism,_ by Rick Jones and _Answers to My Catholic Friends_ by Thomas Heinze, published by Chick Publications

†_Mary in Doctrine_ by Father Emil Neubert, S.M., S.T.D., Bruce Publishing co., Milwaukee, WI, 1954 (Pg. 246).

The confessionals were again set up like they had in Babylon. The priests had the people under their control again.

The Word of God was kept from the people. The stronger the Popes became, the deeper the World sank into the dark ages. Millions went to hell. Satan was delighted.

The Waldenses were soulwinners. They came down from the Alps to show copies of the scriptures to Roman Catholics.


It's the Word of God.
It says: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son…" (John 3:16)
This is the most beautiful thing I've ever read.

The Roman Catholics were amazed to see that Jesus loved them, and by simply giving their hearts and lives to him by faith, the Bible assured them they would go to heaven. (See 1 John 5:13)

Rome exploded in anger. She launched an all-out war to destroy the Waldenses and their scriptures.

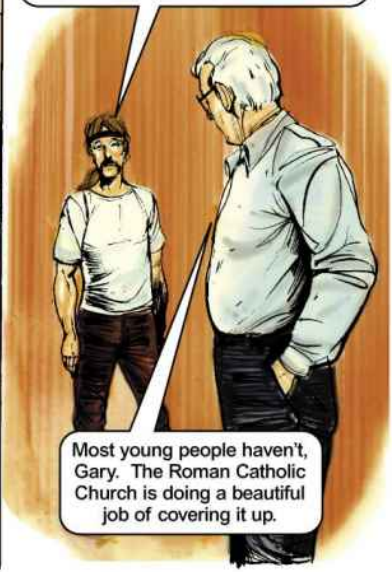
They were slaughtered, but some got away with their manuscripts. Other groups that suffered were the Anabaptists, Bogomiles, Donatists, Albigenses, etc.

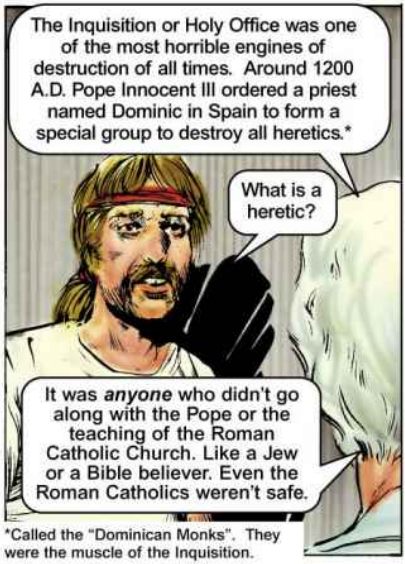
By now, nothing could stand before the powerful Popes and the Roman Catholic Institution.

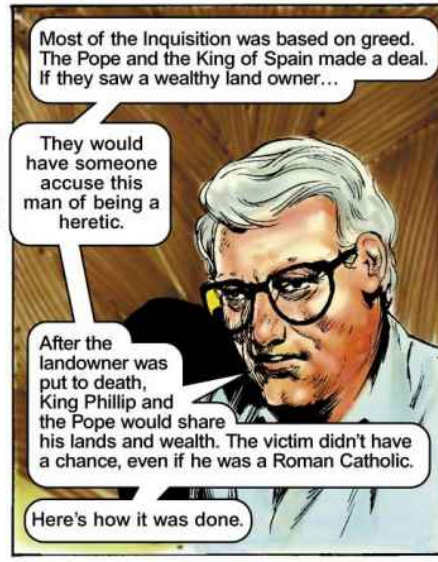
Even Kings shook in their boots. Then they invented "The Inquisition"* to strengthen their power over the people.

*Inquisition: questioning with torture until the person confesses to something he didn't do.

Wait a minute, Dr. Hillman. What's an inquisition? I've never heard of it.



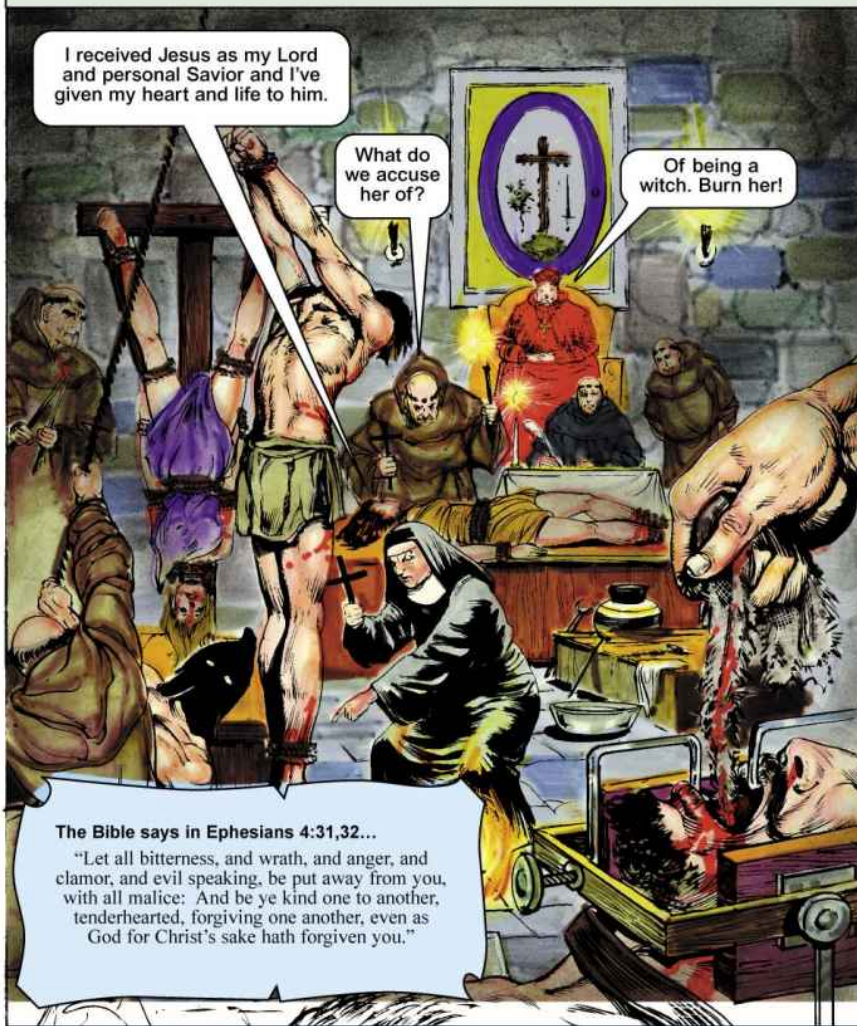

The Inquisition or Holy Office was one of the most horrible engines of destruction of all times. Around 1200 A.D. Pope Innocent III ordered a priest named Dominic in Spain to form a special group to destroy all heretics.*
What is a heretic?
It was *anyone* who didn't go along with the Pope or the teaching of the Roman Catholic Church. Like a Jew or a Bible believer. Even the Roman Catholics weren't safe.
*Called the "Dominican Monks". They were the muscle of the Inquisition.


Most of the Inquisition was based on greed. The Pope and the King of Spain made a deal. If they saw a wealthy land owner…
They would have someone accuse this man of being a heretic.
After the landowner was put to death, King Phillip and the Pope would share his lands and wealth. The victim didn't have a chance, even if he was a Roman Catholic.
Here's how it was done.

About midnight, there would be a visit by the Holy Office. He would be accused of heresy. The man and his family would be taken to the place of questioning.
You have been accused of heresy!
Oh, *No!*
It was a reign of terror that spread across the Roman Catholic world. No one was safe.

No one was allowed to know who turned him in. Any charge, real or false, like eating meat on Friday, was enough to have him put to death.
Come with us… heretic!
But I'm innocent!
We shall see!

They were tortured until they admitted being heretics and after confession they were usually burned to death for their crimes. Of course, the Church and State shared their property.


I received Jesus as my Lord and personal Savior and I've given my heart and life to him.
What do we accuse her of?
Of being a witch. Burn her!
The Bible says in Ephesians 4:31,32...
"Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamor, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."

The Inquisition also spread to Mexico and Latin America. When it almost stopped around 1800, the total victims had reached close to 68 million at the hands of the Roman Catholic Institution.*

The amazing thing is that no one talks about it. It has all been beautifully hushed up.

**The Other Side of Rome*, By John B. Wilder, published by Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, MI 49506 Pg. 153. Dr. Rivera (Ex-Roman Catholic Jesuit-Priest) agrees that number is accurate.

The Pope represented heaven on earth and his voice was considered the voice of God… No one questioned his authority.*

*According to the Council of Trent, when the Pope speaks "Ex-Cathedra," He speaks as the voice of God.

In the 1500's Pope Leo X needed money to put up a new building (Basilica) so he sent preachers out (one of them was John Tetzel) to sell indulgences.** Any Roman Catholic who was guilty of sin or crime, even murder, could buy an indulgence, be set free by the courts, be forgiven and guaranteed entrance into heaven.

**_The Reformation_ published by Time, Inc. 1966, pgs. 38,39.

A young Augustinian monk in Germany found a Bible and read these words, "'The just shall live by *faith*.'" It blew his mind!

*From Romans 1:17 in a Syrian Greek text from Antioch.

He realized it wasn't the Roman Catholic Church that could get him into Heaven. It was by trust in God through Christ. That verse changed his life. His name was Martin Luther.

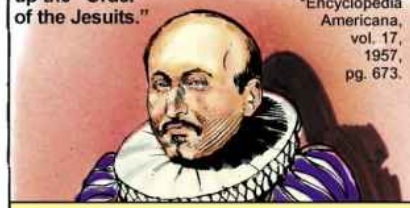
Luther exploded in anger when he saw John Tetzel selling indulgences. So he wrote a list of 95 arguments against indulgences and nailed it to the Church door in Wittenberg, Germany, on October 31, 1517.

The Pope wanted Luther's hide! The people that joined Luther were called "Protestants" because they protested (objected to) Rome's heavy hand and pulled away. This was called the "Reformation."

It started spreading across Europe.

The Roman Catholic Church was in deep trouble in 1534.* Pope Paul III ordered a Spaniard named Ignatius de Loyola to set up the "Order of the Jesuits."

*Encyclopedia Americana, vol. 17, 1957, pg. 673.



These were the best minds of Rome. Their job was to stop the spread of Protestantism at all costs. Loyola became the founder and the General of the Jesuits.

The Jesuits secretly engineered the massacre of St. Bartholomew August 24, 1572. They used Roman Catholic troops and Dominican Monks for the job.

Without warning they slaughtered (killed) the unarmed Bible believers in Paris.* The blood ran for a week and the Protestant movement in France was destroyed. In celebration the Pope ordered the rosary said in every Roman Catholic Church thanking the virgin Mary for their victory.

*French Huguenots

Their next target was England. The Roman Catholic struggle to win back England had gone on for years. Jesuits were sent undercover to capture key positions and to translate Origen's Alexandrian manuscripts into an English Bible in 1582.

They hit England with Jesuit Bibles, but the English people rejected them.

Rome was furious…

In 1588 Spain sent her mighty fleet (The Armada) to capture England, but English guns and storms at sea destroyed them. England was saved from becoming Roman Catholic.

In 1603 James became King of England. He wanted a new Bible for the English people.

For the Old Testament, they decided to use the same manuscript that the Jews used… It was called the "Massoretic text." Time proved this to be the right choice.

When the "Dead Sea Scrolls" were found in 1947, they discovered that the Book of Isaiah scroll was from the "Massoretic Text." The King James Bible was right on target.

King James assembled a group of 48 men that God had prepared for this work. They were the greatest scholars the world had ever seen.

First, they had to assemble manuscripts… so much material showed up that was exact copies of the manuscripts from Antioch that it became 98% of the evidence.

They rejected both the Old and New Testament that Origen worked on back in Egypt, because it was so corrupted. This included:

- Roman Catholic Latin Vulgate & Rheims (1582).
- Greek Septuagint (Bible of Alexandria, Egypt)

When the King James Bible was prepared, everything was done in the open. After years of work the masterpiece was finished in 1611. They had the Word of God.

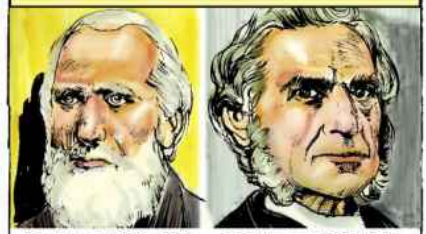
Interesting note: God blessed England and America as long as they honored that book.

For questions concerning Bible manuscripts or versions see *Answers to Your Bible Version Questions* and *Did the Catholic Church Give Us the Bible?* by David W. Daniels or visit www.chick.com/information/bibleversions/

Around 1875 the popular cry in England was to "update" some of the words of the King James Bible. The ones pushing this were the friends of England's Roman Catholic Cardinal Newman (who was educated by Jesuits).

A new committee was formed. But something weird went on. Everything was top secret. They worked on the Old and New Testaments for 20 years. They weren't updating the King James Bible at all. They were changing it by using *another* manuscript.

Within the committee were two members, Hort and Wescott from the Church of England, who secretly supported the Roman Catholic Church. They really put the pressure on the other committee members.



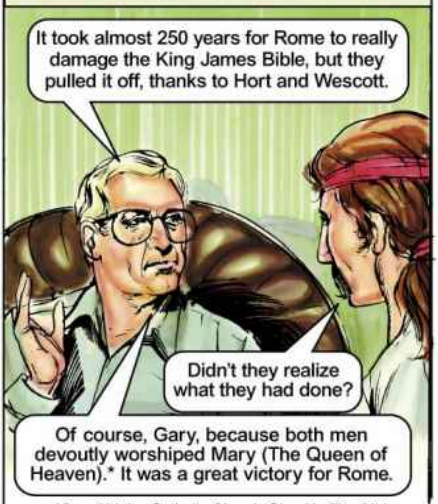
F.J.A. Hort (1828-1892) B.F. Wescott (1825-1901)

They convinced the committee that the old texts in the Vatican (originated by Origen in Egypt) were more reliable than the copies from Antioch. It was a beautiful Double-Cross! Isaiah 30:1-3

They shot down the *Word of God* and produced a new English version of the old Roman Catholic Latin Vulgate Bible. The Jesuits were thrilled.

*Roman Catholic headquarters outside of Rome.

The World of higher education swallowed it.


It took almost 250 years for Rome to really damage the King James Bible, but they pulled it off, thanks to Hort and Wescott.
Didn't they realize what they had done?
Of course, Gary, because both men devoutly worshiped Mary (The Queen of Heaven).* It was a great victory for Rome.

*See *Did the Catholic Church Give Us The Bible* by Daniels, and *Final Authority* by Grady, available from Chick Publications.

In the last 80 years we've had about 81 new English Bibles (All Roman Catholic) based on Origen's corrupted text,* all trying to push the King James Bible out of the picture.
Soon there will be an ecumenical bible (one common Bible for all religions) preparing the way for the Anti-Christ.
The same game goes on in some Bible Colleges today. That's how they got to you, Gary!

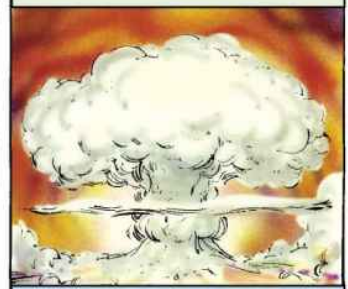
*Sinaiticus and Vaticanus are considered to be two of those 50 Bibles produced by Origen for Eusebius.

Gary, in Prophecy, during the coming "Tribulation" (7 terrible years to come),* all religions unite into a super world church. This is the "whore" (prostitute) of Revelation Chapter 17. It comes through Satan's masterpiece, called the "Ecumenical Movement." *Matthew 24

One important sign is that the leaders of most of the Protestant groups have already visited the Pope. The picture is beginning to take shape.

*A Masonic symbol at the Vatican in St. Peter's Square… Isn't that a surprise?

During the terrible 7 years, the Inquisition starts up again, killing the Tribulation saints. The Anti-Christ uses the Super Church to come into power as the world leader.



After 3 1/2 years he doesn't need the Church anymore, so he destroys her. Alas, Babylon, Ecclesiastical Babylon (The big false World Church), is destroyed.* (Revelation 18:10)

*See Crusaders, vol 5 (Chaos), page 30

Today in many Bible colleges, professors who are in the Alexandrian cult* are constantly altering the King James Bible with the Greek and English versions of the Roman Catholic Latin Vulgate Bible.

Naturally the students lose confidence in the Bible and lack power when they become preachers.

*Those who correct the God honored text, the authorized 1611 King James Bible, with the Alexandrian Greek Manuscripts.

There's an old saying, Gary. We don't correct the *Word of God.* It corrects us!
My God, I've really been had! Look, what can I do? Jesus is coming soon.
Gary, if you lift up Jesus, He will draw all men to *Himself.**
How do I do that?
*John 12:32

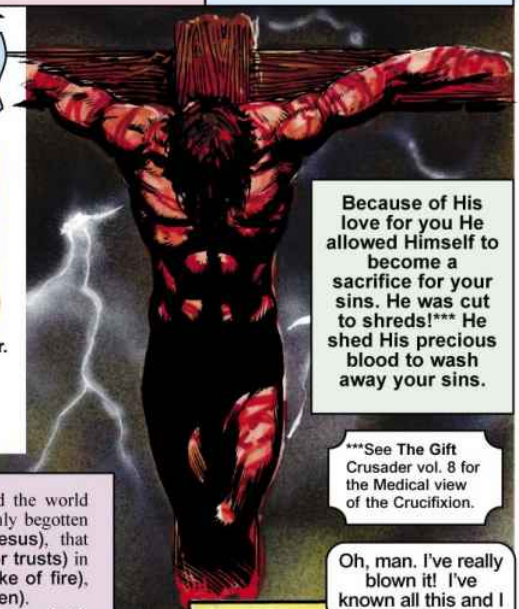
Go back to your Bible, Gary! You *have* the Word of God. Tell people that Jesus *is* God Almighty.* He's the "Word of God," the Creator of the universe. He is God (the Son) who left heaven and humbled himself and allowed himself to become flesh. The vessel God chose for this event was the Virgin, Mary.**

*"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made." "He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not." John 1:1-3 & 10

**"Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." (meaning God with us) Isaiah 7:14

He taught love to a cruel world. He exposed sin and told man he was lost.

He showed them that he was the Savior. Jesus said, "I am the **WAY**, the **TRUTH**, and the **LIFE**: no man cometh unto the Father (in heaven), but by me." John 14:6



Because of His love for you He allowed Himself to become a sacrifice for your sins. He was cut to shreds!*** He shed His precious blood to wash away your sins.

***See **The Gift** Crusader vol. 8 for the Medical view of the Crucifixion.

"For God (the Father) so loved the world (that's you), that He gave his only begotten Son (God the Son, that's Jesus), that whosoever believeth (clings to or trusts) in Him should not perish (in the lake of fire), but have everlasting life (in heaven).
John 3:16

Oh, man. I've really blown it! I've known all this and I threw it away.

Will Jesus forgive me for the mess I've made of my life, and take me back?

3 days later Jesus arose from the dead. He went back up into Heaven. He is alive and well. He is sitting at the right hand of God, the Father, and is getting ready to return to this earth and rule it from the city of Jerusalem.

Of course. Gary, Jesus (God in a human body) was tempted like all of us…

But he never sinned! He couldn't because He *is* God, but he understands because He's been there.

The Bible says in 1 John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from ***all*** unrighteousness."

He doesn't expect you to do it again, Gary!

I won't, Tim! Man, backsliding is one miserable way to go (snif).

I've got to get back to reading and believing that Book.

Gary, you did what most Bible believers do. You put some Christian leader on a pedestal, and sooner or later he will let you down.

That's for sure!

Remember, everybody falls, Gary. I don't care who it is.*

If you're going to put anybody on a pedestal, you make sure it's the Lord Jesus. He'll never let you down.

*"My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate (One who supports us and will plead for us) with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." 1 John 2:1

I'm a Bible believer again! I thank God for this meeting. It's changed my life! Uh, I've only got one more question.

What is it, Gary?

Do you guys know where I can find a good barber?

THE END

A lot of you in the past received Jesus as your Lord and have turned Him off because of the cares of this world, or money problems, or persecution. But He still loves you and wants you to come back. Jesus said that if you confess your sins, He is faithful and just to forgive your sins and cleanse you from all unrighteousness. The invitation is always open.

Gary had been deceived. That's the business Satan is in. But Gary woke up and got right with the Lord. He asked Jesus to forgive him. Jesus said a tremendous thing. He said, *"I am the Way,* the Truth, and the Life: *no* man cometh unto the Father (in heaven), *but by me.* John 14:6

It doesn't matter which church or religion you've been involved with, or even if you've never heard the Gospel before. The Lord Jesus loves you! The only way into heaven is to believe that Jesus Christ shed His precious blood on the cross to wash away your sins and receive Him as your Saviour. **"He that hath the Son (Jesus) hath life (eternal life); and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life."** 1 John 5:12

The show is almost over. Jesus is coming again… SOON!

JESUS OR **SATAN** ***THE CHOICE IS YOURS!***

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NOBODY ELSE CAN SAVE YOU. TRUST JESUS TODAY!

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9

1. Admit you are a sinner. See Romans 3:10
2. Be willing to turn from sin (repent). See Acts 17:30
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried and rose from the dead. See Rom. 10:9-10
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus into your life to become your personal Saviour. See Rom. 10:13

WHAT TO PRAY

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His **precious blood** and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart and life as my personal Saviour.

If you trusted Jesus as your Saviour, you have just begun a wonderful new life with Him. Now:

1. Read your Bible (KJV) every day to get to know Jesus Christ better.
2. Talk to God in prayer every day.
3. Be baptized, worship, fellowship, and serve with other Christians in a church where Christ is preached and the Bible is the final authority.
4. Tell others about Jesus Christ.

Here's help to grow as a new Christian! Read **The Next Step**, available at Christian bookstores or from Chick Publications.